

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ON June 5, 2017

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on June 5, 2017. Those present:

John Steffen, Chairman  
Jerry Henning, Commissioner  
Fred Foley, Commissioner  
Carol Noblit, County Clerk  
John Caton, County Counselor

Visitors: Donna Hardesty, Gayle Dye; Larry Landwehr; Carol Voran; Jason Jump, Kingman Leader-Courier; Josh Svaty, Sempra; Richard Chandler, Sempra; John Forshee, KS Research & Extension; Andrea Wood, Extension Agent; Jake Renner, Extension Agent and Andrea Pulse, Arrowhead West; Shanna Henry;

Staff: Nancy Borst, Communications Coordinator; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director; Donna Rohlman, County Treasurer; Mendy Frampton, Kingman Expo Center Director; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairman Steffen called the regular Board of County Commissioners to order at 8:02 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Chairman Steffen asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Carol Noblit, County Clerk requested adding a Cereal Malt Beverage License for Spike's Place.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition of adding a Cereal Malt Beverage License for Spike's Place. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr said "Good Morning".

8:05 a.m. Richard Chandler, Sempra; Josh Svaty, Sempra and Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director were in to discuss the last Planning/Zoning Commission meeting and that they recommend to the County Board of Commissioners changes the blade height from 80' to 50' due to Sempra requesting lower it to 68'.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Resolution 2017-R9, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REVISIONS TO ARTICLE VII OF THE COMMERCIAL VII WIND FARM APPLICATION GUIDELINES AS ADDENDUM TO THE COUNTY ZONING REGULATIONS FOR KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Chandler thanked the County Commissioners for the approval of the Resolution changing the blade to ground height to 50' and that this project will have 64 turbines.

Mr. Chandler and Mr. Svaty left the meeting at 8:33 a.m.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that John Nye has accepted placement on the Planning/Zoning Board and then let the Commissioners know that Joe Clouse has tendered his resignation from the Zoning Board. Mr. Goetz would like the Commissioners to think of a replacement for Mr. Clouse.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that the pig farm issue has been resolved.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 8:41 a.m.

8:45 a.m. Donna Rohlman, County Treasurer and Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning were in to request a non-elect personnel executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session with Donna Rohlman, County Treasurer; Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor at 8:50 a.m. to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and will return to regular session in the board meeting room at 8:55 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 8:55 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to grant four weeks of shared leave to Jennifer Heminway. Commissioner Henning seconded. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz and Ms. Rohlman left the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Nancy Borst discussed SCKEDD. She reminded commissioners about Thursday's open house at the SCKEDD facility in Bel Aire. She also gave commissioners an update on efforts to purchase the facility, which currently is leased.

Commissioner Henning moved to approve the renewal of a cereal malt beverage license for Spike's Place in Nashville. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

9:15 a.m. Mendy Frampton was in to discuss the Expo Center. We have been discussing transferring an old Noxious Weed truck to the Expo Center. Would transfer the truck bed from the current Expo Center truck to the other truck.

Commissioner Henning moved to accept a bid from Birkenbaugh Manufacturing for \$2,500 to switch the truck bed. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Frampton proposed new rental rates for the Expo Center to be effective July 1. Anyone with a signed contract before that date would get the current rates.

Commissioner Foley moved to approve the new rates as presented for the Expo Center, effective July 1. The motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioners amended the rates to increase the stall rate to \$20 per event.

Commissioner Foley moved to approve the new rates as amended for the Expo Center, effective July 1. Commissioner Henning seconded. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Frampton discussed branding of the Expo Center. Still working on a logo. There also is a new website, kingmanarena.com.

To help show the new facility to the community, would like to offer use of the Expo Center in conjunction with community July 4 events at no cost.  
Will hold another open house that will look for potential users, possibly in August.  
Have Facebook page – may use ads there. Building a group e-mail.  
Discussed digital sign for facility. There may be sponsorships available to help cover cost plus there are still funds in the account for the remodel project. She will investigate further.

10 a.m. Ms. Frampton left the meeting.

10:05 a.m. Andrea Wood, Jake Renner and John Forshee of River Valley Extension were in to discuss extension districts.  
Andrea shared updates about redistricting conversations that are ongoing. Reno County is interested in an extension district. Kingman County is trying to stay pro-active.

Mr. Forshee is in a district that includes four counties. He shared a packet of information about districting. Currently there are 16 extension districts. When counties form an extension district, funding goes to a mill levy rather than allocation. He presented a proposed timeline for forming an extension district.

Ms. Wood shared information about how budgets would compare with districts instead of a budget allocation.

Mr. Forshee shared that stable funding and specialization are some of the advantages of districts. The disadvantages include travel time. Each county still has its own Fair.

Commissioner Steffen expressed concern about losing budget control.

Board left the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Brad Fagan, Schwab Eaton were in to open the following bids:

BIDDER	BID ALTERNATE #1	BID ALTERNATE #2
Bettus	\$481,096.00	\$872,379.50
APAC	\$410,238.72	\$732,114.49
Cornejo & Sons	\$387,258.00	\$724,749.25
Engineer Estimate	\$492,062.50	\$927,127.50

Motion: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Bid Alternate #2 from Cornejo & Son in the amount of \$724,749.25 Contingent on Brad Fagan, Engineers approval. Commissioner Henning seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted merit/step requests to the County Commissioners to review.

Mr. Arensdorf reminded the County Commissioners that the bid opening for the bridge beams will be June 12, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Arensdorf left the meeting at 11:37 a.m.

11:38 a.m. Lori Pendergast, Arrowhead West Inc. was in with a 2018 budget request in the amount of \$60,524.84. The Commission thanked her for the work that Arrowhead West does for Kingman County residents.

The County Commissioners conference called the Auditor Melissa Romme with Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball and discussed when they would start the budget process. The date of June 19<sup>th</sup> was decided upon.

The County Commissioners signed the following three abatements and one added:

ABATEMENTS	
2017000119	40.22
2017000120	0.00
2017000122	-412.22
ADDED	
2017000123	+412.22

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:24 p.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.